(c) As may be seen from above figures there has been consistent increase in production of cement every year.

Manufacture of LADA Car with Soviet Collaboration

601. SHRI KAPIL VERMA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal from Soviet Union to manufacture their LADA car in India; if so, what are the details thereof and what is Government's reaction thereto;

(b) what are the plans for increasing the Indo-Soviet trade turn-over in the next five years; and

(c) whether U.S.S.R. has supplied to the Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry for about 500 joint ventures and technology transfer schemes; if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) M|s. Sikkim Lada (Ltd) Gangtok have submitted a proposal for the manufacture of LADA 2121 car in collaboration with M|s. Autoexport & Prom mashexport, Moscow. M|s. Asian Vehicles Ltd., New Delhi have also made an application for permission to manufacture Lada model cars in collaboration with M|s. Autoexport Volga Automobiles Works, Moscow. These proposals are under consideration of the Government.

(b) Various steps, including identification of new items of import and exports, encouraging exchange of commercial and business delegations, meeting of the Joint Commission, identification of areas of producton cooperation, have been taken to increase Indo-Soviet Trade turnover.

(c) Yes, Sir. The important sectors of Industry covered by them relate to machine tools and metal working prosess. building and construction material, drugs and pharmaceuticals, power, chemicals etc.

Profit/losses by Public sectors

602. SHRI CHITTA BASU:
SHRI RAMKRISHNA MAZUMDER:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state the total losses incurred and profits earned by the Public Sector undertakings under his Ministry during the year 1985-86?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): During the year 1985-86, the net profit earned by the Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Industry was Rs. 193.97 crores and net loss incurred was Rs. 319.87 crores resulting in an overall not loss of Rs. 125.90 crores for these enterprises.

Issue of Letters of Intent

603. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the number of letters of intent issued by Central Government during the years 1985, 1986 and so far in 1987;

(b) what is the number of industrial licences obtained or implemented during the years 1985, 1986 and so far in 1987;

(c) what are the reasons for the gap if any in the issue of Letters of Intent and their conversion into industrial licences; and

(d) what steps Government are taking to check conversion of industrial licences and no setting up of industries with a view to monopolise industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Under he provisions of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, the following number of letters of intent and industrial licences